

II. Remarks

Claims 1-7 were pending in this application. Claims 1, 2, 6 and 7 have been rejected and claims 3-5 have been objected to. The present amendment cancels claim 3 and amends claims 1 and 4-5 to more particularly point out and clarify Applicants' invention. No new matter has been added. After this amendment, claims 1-2 and 4-7 will be pending.

Reconsideration of the application in view of the above amendments and following remarks is respectfully requested.

Rejection under 35 U.S.C. § 102

Claims 1, 2, 6 and 7 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) as being anticipated by U.S. Publication No. 2005/0178870 issued to Loffler, et al. ("Loffler").

Allowable Subject Matter

Claims 3-5 were indicated as being allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims. Claim 1 has been rewritten to include the limitations of claim 3. Claims 2 and 4-7 depend from claim 1 and are allowable therewith.

Conclusion

In view of the above amendments and remarks, it is respectfully submitted that the present form of the claims are patentably distinguishable over the art of record and that this application is now in condition for allowance. Such action is requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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